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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

IRAQ FRONTIER DISPUTE.

Constantinople, May 26.
Anglo-Turkish negotiations which have been proceeding here since the 20th inst. relative to the disputed territory of Mosul which is now incorporated with Iraq, have reached a deadlock. Fethi Bey, on behalf of Turkey, demanding the rendition of the whole district, and Sir Percy Cox, on behalf of Britain, insisting on the present frontier with slight modifications. The speeches at the four meetings that were held were practically the repetition of the old arguments exhausted at Lausanne, and in spite of the friendly atmosphere prevailing no progress was made as shown by the fact that the man handed to Sir Percy Cox this morning, merely establishes the frontier line the Turks claim in unmodified form. It is understood that Sir Percy Cox has asked the government for instructions and in the meanwhile no fresh meeting has been arranged. The failure to agree will mean the reference of the question to the Council of the League of Nations as provided in the Lausanne Treaty which it is believed the Turks are anxious to avoid.—Reuter.

CHINESE PROVINCIAL TAXATION.

London, May 26.
The Times city correspondent notes in dealing with the serious concern of British houses trading in the East at the provincial taxation of foreign imports into China that it is a defiance of treaty obligations and declares that the evil calls for redress. Referring to the suggestion that the levations should assist the Peking government to maintain treaties by recognizing Chankian's declaration of independence as justification for levying in fiscal retaliation against the few years ago in Canton when that province attempted to flout the authority of the Central Government, but whatever course is adopted there is a need of prompt and effective action cannot be said. There are more than enough artificial barriers to trade already, he says.—Reuter.

KENYA IMMIGRATION.

London, May 26.
It was announced to-day that Mr. J. H. Thomas was suddenly indisposed. For this reason the meeting of the Secretary of the Colonies and India and the Colonies Committee to consider the latter's report on Kenya Immigration was postponed.—Reuter.

Mr. Thomas is suffering from pleurisy and is under the care of a specialist.—Reuter.

THE MOSLEM LEAGUE.

Lahore, May 26.
The Moslem League has concluded its sessions after passing resolutions urging the continuance of communal representation and the overhaul of the Government of India Act with a view to the early attainment of Swaraj. The League appointed a committee to frame a constitution in consultation other communities and appealed to the Hindus and Moslems to take steps to settle their communal differences and to abstain from aggressive activities.—Reuter.

SPURIOUS COINS.

A HEAVY SENTENCE.

A Chinese passenger from Canton on the s.s. Sung Shan Maru was heavily sentenced by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, for unlawfully having in his possession 1,091 counterfeit coins of Chinese currency.

A Chinese detective stated that on the 20th inst. at about 10 a.m. he was on duty on board the s.s. Sung Shan searching under the Piracy Prevention Regulations. Defendant's bags were searched and in one of them, a number of rolls of coins were discovered. Witness broke open some of the rolls suspecting that they were counterfeit, and defendant was arrested.

Sub-Inspector Spear said that defendant was taken to the Water Police Station on the 20th inst. with a quantity of spurious coins. In all he had 1,094 pieces; 800 were of ten-cent denomination and the rest twenty-cent pieces.

A money changer, stated that the coins were made of zinc, but the lettering was very cleverly done; in fact he was of the opinion that they were struck off from the same dies as the Canton currency. The weight of the coins was higher than that of good money.

Witness could not say that the coins were issued by the Canton authorities, but he thought that

BILLIARDS.

PALACE HOTEL HANDICAP.

Playing at the Palace Hotel last night L. Antonio (-125) beat W. Wang (-150) 250 to 193. The highest breaks were: Antonio: 32, 25, 18, 17, 16, 15, 13, 13, 12. Wang: 23, 20, 20, 18, 18, 15.

The game to-morrow is H. O. Balchin (-175) versus A. J. Osmund (-325).

they were stamped at the mint by the soldiers in charge, without the knowledge of the authorities.

Asked where he had got the coins, defendant said that about \$50 worth of them were his savings. He was a hawker and received the money from customers. He did not know that they were counterfeit as he was in a hurry to leave Canton, on account of the trouble, and proceed to Swatow. The rest of the coins were entrusted to him by a friend.

Cross-examined further defendant said that he received the coins from time to time and did not know that they were spurious.

His Worship was told that defendant had only 90 cents of Chinese money on his person that was not bad. This defendant denied, when asked. He said that when he was searched at the Police Station no money was found in his pockets.

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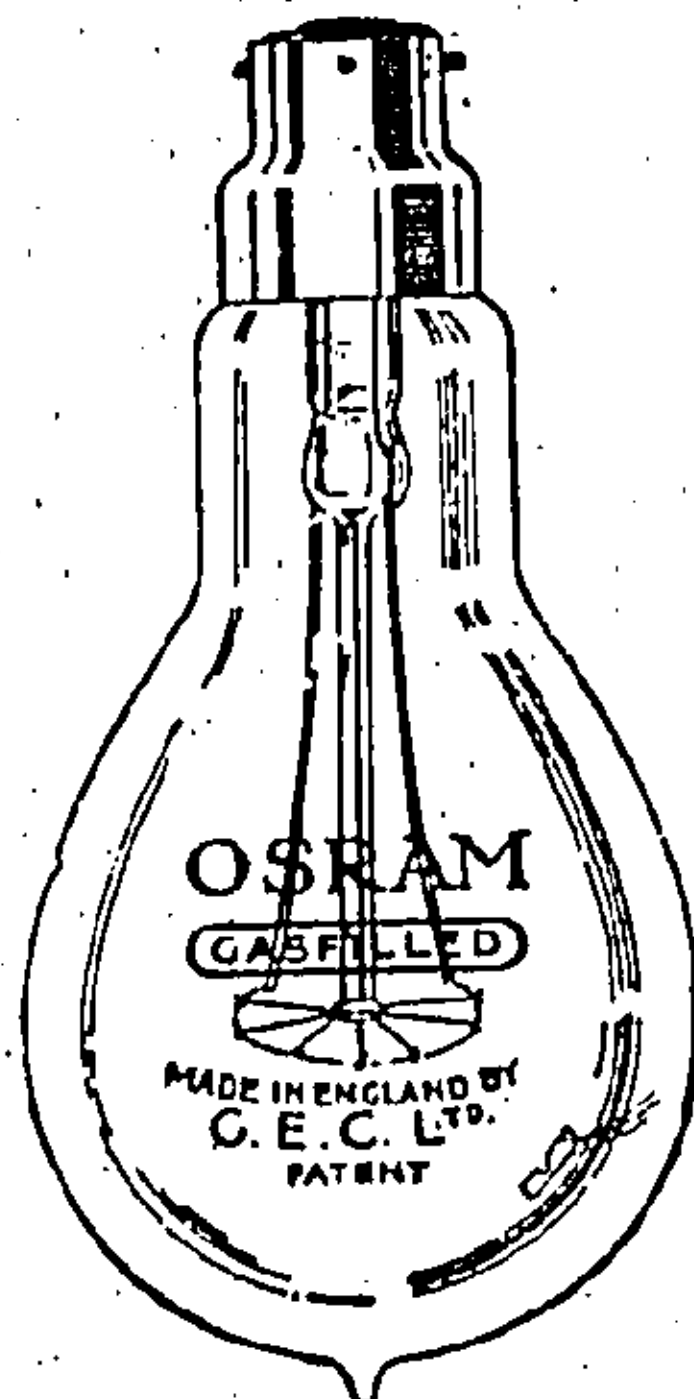
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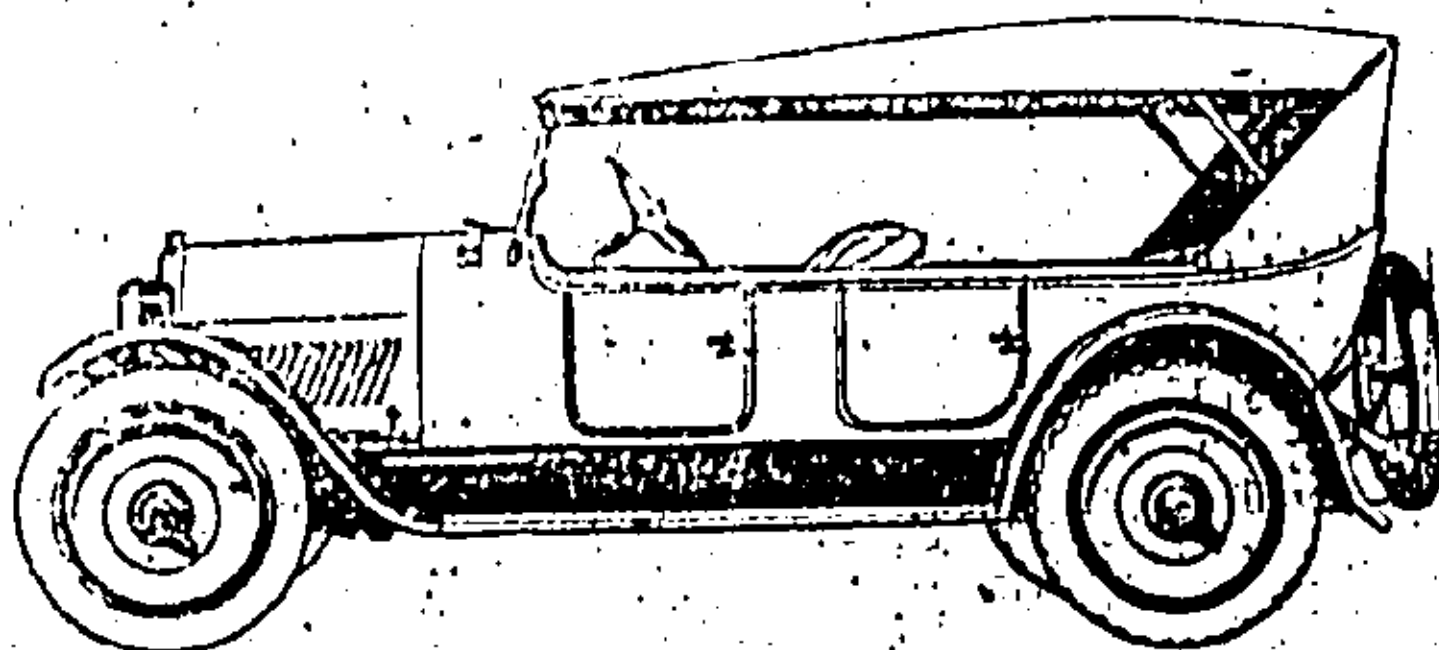
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THE CHINESE CHURCH.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

The National Christian Council has had a Commission on "International Relations" working for about a year. Two of the members of this Commission visited Japan to pass on to the Japanese Churches the contribution from Chinese Christians to Japan earthquake sufferers. One result of this visit was the coming of Mr. Miyazaki, General Secretary of the Japan Christian Council, to attend these meetings of the National Christian Council of China. Mr. Miyazaki brought fraternal greetings from the Japan Christian Council. He said that his warm reception in the meetings of the N. C. C. had given him a good impression of the Chinese people. His appearance was warmly applauded. In reply to his greeting, the Rev. S. T. Kaung, Vice-Chairman of the Council, expressed admiration of the work done by Christians in Japan. He said that just as China had sent her students to learn from Japan, so Christians in China could learn from Japanese how to do Christian work. "Though separated by the sea we are brothers," he further said. "Japan and China will some day unite in heart and effort to further the Kingdom of God throughout the world. When that day comes we shall feel that the day of salvation is not far distant."

Mr. Miyazaki gave some interesting statistics of the result of the earthquake on Christian work. The total loss to Christian work in Japan was Yen 9,465,417.50. For reconstruction purposes an effort is being made to raise Yen 13,000,000. It is planned to make the reconstruction movement the centre of a Christian union evangelistic movement also. Seventy-six churches were destroyed by earthquake or fire and 8 boys' schools and 15 girls' schools either destroyed or damaged. The loss to education alone in property and equipment was Yen 3,339,915. In addition to the above, certain Christian welfare work institutions suffered a total loss of Yen 1,201,800. Mr. Miyazaki urged, in closing, that Christians in China and Japan should draw together to save the dwellers in Asia, numbering in all about 800,000,000.

International Problems.

The Rev. E. L. Pao spoke on the "Church and International Problems." Prof. T. C. Chao, of Soochow University, chairman of the Commission on "International Relations," presented its report. He drew attention to the following interesting points. Fourteen subjects for study were chosen, and presented to fourteen Christian colleges. The majority of these colleges consented to assist the Commission; in some of them study of the subject assigned has already begun. During the year considerable attention has been given in various publications, English and Chinese, to international problems such as extra-territoriality, protection, and political relations. Interest in these subjects is growing, but as yet no solutions are suggested. It is planned to hold a conference of Christian colleges at Kuling this summer to discuss these questions.

There has been considerable study of existing text-books with a view to discovering what information they contain on other countries rather than their own. A careful investigation was made of Chinese primary school text-books. The investigator who reported to the Commission on "International Relations" agreed with Chinese educators in saying that these text-books pointed only to good elements in non-Chinese civilization. They, therefore, contain nothing that is harmful to international friendship between Chinese and other nations. This is in accord with the peace-loving habits of the Chinese people. Furthermore, the Government Board of Education scrutinizes all these text-books with a view to avoiding the inclusion of acrimonious criticism or invidious comparisons. A study has also been made by Dr. T. T. Low, of Yenching University, Peking, of American text-books. These contain many mistaken ideas about China. The report states that the text-books in the United States contain by far the greatest number of misconceptions about China; the next in order are those of Germany, and then comes Japan. This investigation of text-books is to be continued, with a view that these misconceptions may be eliminated, and school text-books be used to promote international friendship rather than international jealousy and distrust.

BRITISH WORLD FLIGHT.

AMERICAN AID OFFERED.

Tokyo, May 26.—Pending the receipt of more complete details as to the damage done to the British plane at Akyab, Colonel Broome has arranged tentative plans to rush a complete breakdown plane from Hakodate to Akyab. It was first intended to assemble a plane at Hakodate and fly to Akyab but this was disregarded when Commander Abbott of the 43rd United States destroyer division, on learning of the Britisher's mishap, offered Colonel Broome the use of an American destroyer to transport the plane from Hakodate at full speed as far as Hongkong, the offer being contingent on the approval of the Admiral of the Asiatic Fleet, which will probably be given. Colonel Broome accepted the offer gratefully and communicated the details thereof to the British Admiral, and is now awaiting reply. Approximately two weeks will be required for the plane to reach Akyab. Colonel Broome declared to *Reuter* in an interview that Commander Abbott's offer exemplified sportsmanship of the highest type.—*Reuter*.

SNAKE-CHARMER'S LOSS.

PYTHON ESCAPES AT POLICE STATION.

A snake said to be of a poisonous species escaped from a rush bag belonging to a "snake-charmer" and its owner hawked, while the latter was in the cells at the Central Police Station during the week-end. The man was arrested on Saturday for causing an obstruction, and according to practice he and his "stock-in-trade," which comprised a rush bag and a small quantity of what he described as antidotes for snake bites, were segregated, the rush bag being deposited temporarily outside the cells. Next day, when the man was bailed out, his property was returned to him. On opening the bag he was surprised to find that his pet reptile, a python six or seven feet long, had escaped. He immediately reported at the charge-room. A search was then made of all the cells, but no trace of the reptile could be found.

LAND AUCTION.

PEAK AREA NOT FAVOURED.

At the Hongkong Volunteer Headquarters yesterday afternoon 23,000 square feet of Crown land at Mount Cameron were sold by auction by Mr. E. B. Reed. The land is in the Peak reservation area, and as soon as the auctioneer's announcement of the location was interpreted by the Chinese clerk, the majority of the Chinese present began to leave the sales room. In vain, Mr. Reed repeatedly asked for an advance on the upset price. One of the Chinese who lingered behind, replied, "Yes, we will bid if Chinese are allowed to live there." The land was sold to Mr. C. M. B. Young at the upset price of \$3,358.

AMERICAN BASEBALL.

YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE RESULTS.

New York, May 26th.—Yesterday's baseball league results were as under:

American League.	
Washington... 9	Chicago.....10
New York..... 5	Detroit..... 8
National League.	
Cincinnati... 1	New York..... 0
St. Louis..... 5	Philadelphia... 4
Chicago..... 11	Boston..... 12
Brooklyn..... 2	Pittsburgh..... 6

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SEEING IS BELIEVING.

Follies beauties may be drafted by cold-blooded scientists at the bureau of standards in an elaborate survey of the history industry, says a Washington message. Scientific men have started an investigation into methods of measuring history. Some experts felt they could not get anywhere without seeing the latest things in actual use. It was suggested that the chorus girls be asked to exhibit silk, cotton, and woolen hose that accurate measurements might be taken by the bureau.



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This 600-ton craft, called *Londoner*, had been damaged in a river collision, and, after being beached and refloated, it was removed to Messrs. Fletcher's dry dock for examination.

It was the idea of one of our directors to buy the boat, as that was the only way of retaining the repairing job for the Thames side," said a departmental manager of the firm to a Press representative. The suggestion was made to the shop stewards that the men might agree to have a share in the scheme with a prospect of profits, and, while no one was asked to subscribe, all had the opportunity of doing so.

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PLAYS FOR DANCERS.

Irish Poet Follows Japan

Mr. W. B. Yeats, the famous Irish poet, is introducing a new art-form to Ireland in the "plays for dancers" which are being written and produced by him for the Dublin Drama League. These plays are modelled on the Noh plays of Japan. The players wear masks; rhythmic movements accompany the spoken lines, and a chorus, seated on the floor and draped in black, play weird music on flutes, zithers, drums and gongs. They also explain the action of the play and its setting, as there is no scenery.

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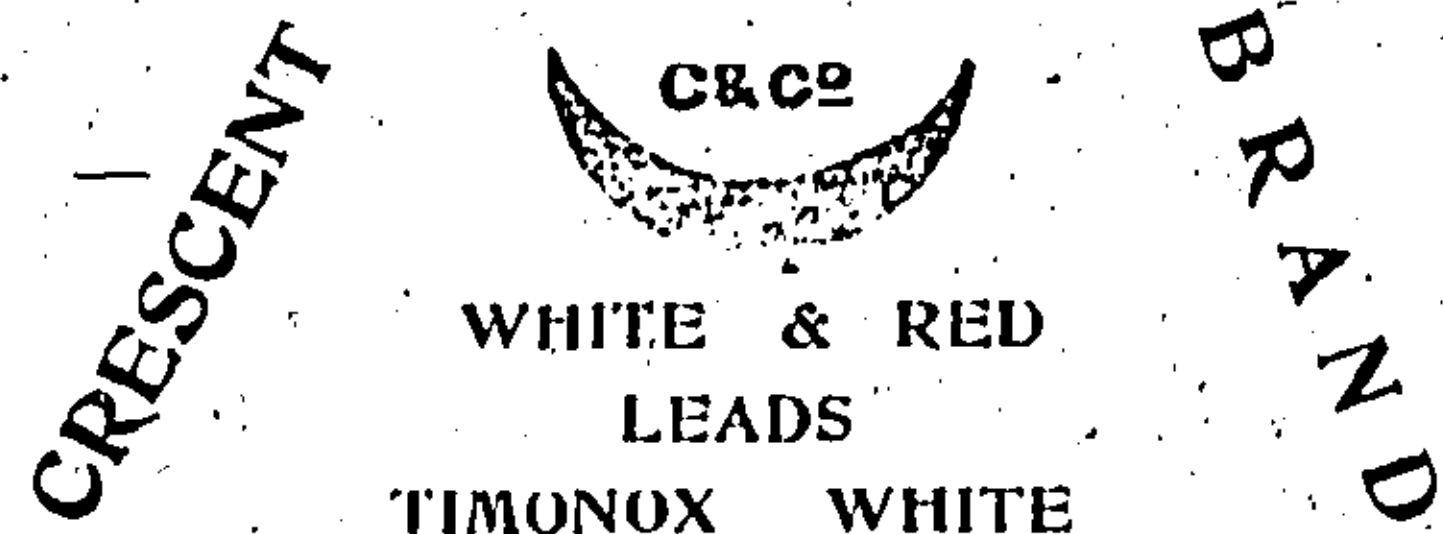
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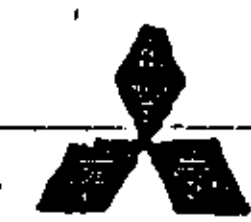
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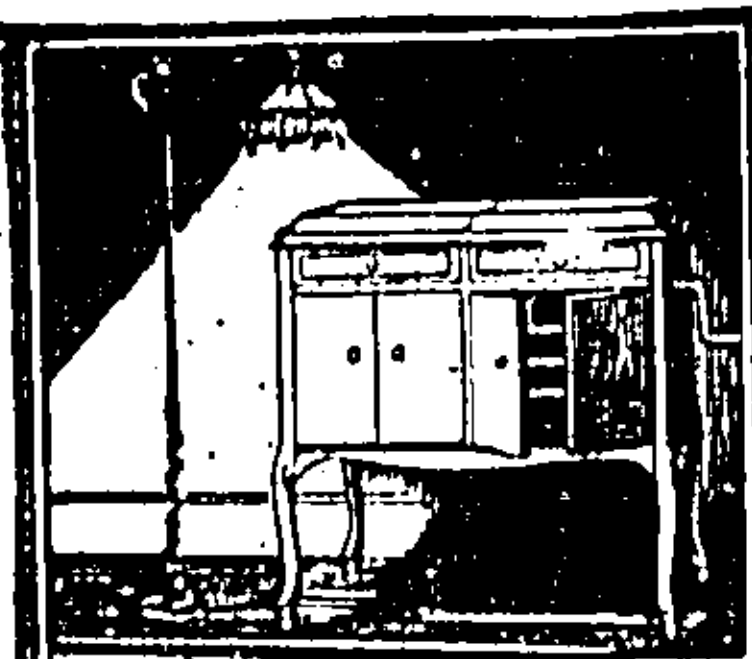
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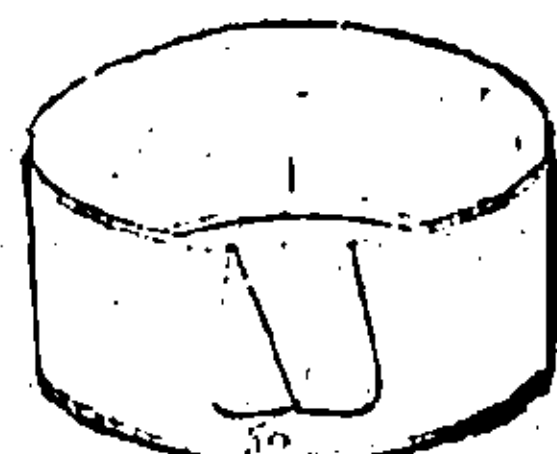
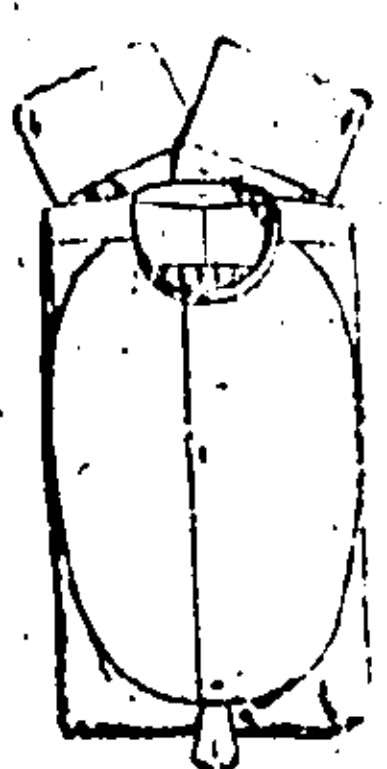
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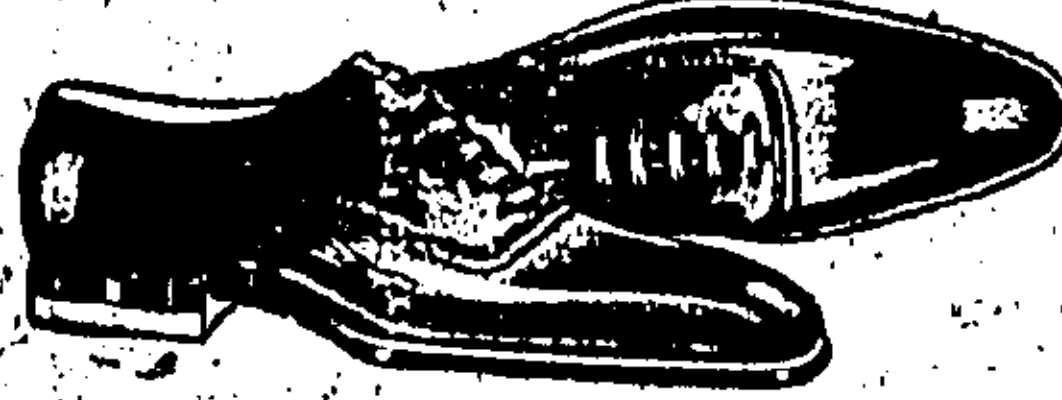
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POLITICAL TENDENCIES.

Is Britain to revert to the two-party system in politics? For some time past there has been a growing bulk of opinion that such a development is most probable. To a certain extent, the results of the last General Election helped to confirm that view, for a striking feature of the poll was the increased number of Labour members sent back, this in turn being reflected in the rather disappointing show made by the Liberals. It is possible, however, that these two factors will become even more pronounced in subsequent elections, when political opinion has a chance to settle down into well-defined groups. We put forward this idea more particularly because of the figures revealed in the bye-election which—has just taken place in the Kelvingrove division of Glasgow. Here, at the last General Election, the Conservative candidate went in with just over eleven thousand votes to his credit, the Labourite polled a little over ten thousand and the Liberal came third with 4,662. Note what has now happened. The seat is retained by the Conservatives, who polled 15,488 votes, the Labourites got an increase of more than a thousand votes, whilst the Liberals lost well over three thousand votes. If this result can be regarded as typical of present-day political feeling, then it would appear to suggest that the middle party is being squeezed out. In other words, there is no room for a third party, the votes inclining either towards the extremely advanced school of thought or to a policy of cautious conservatism. Many political writers have of late foreseen such a possibility, and belief in it has been strengthened rather than otherwise by the recent movement which aims at uniting the anti-Socialist parties with a view to presenting a united front to Labour. All these developments tend towards the elimination of the middle party, and, despite all the feverish efforts now being made by the Liberals to hold their own, the day may not be far distant when there will again be merely two main parties in the State—the Socialists and those who stand for the common traditions of the two older factions.

Wembley and the East.

Many years after Wembley's big Empire Exhibition has closed, its wonders will be discussed in remote parts of the British Isles, by people who have never been east of Suez, and whose knowledge of tropical and Far Eastern lands has been very slight. Almost as educative as a visit to the respective countries—we lay stress on the word almost—is a view of their display at Wembley. A fair idea of their inhabitants, mode of life, architecture, and so forth, can be obtained. Indeed, we doubt whether the true value of the education provided by the Empire Exhibition can ever be assessed. Better than books of geography, history too, and even films, are these glimpses of different "corners" of the Empire. Hongkong's section represents "China" to the majority of visitors, and in a way they are not being misled unduly. It was sufficient if people learn the difference between India, Malaya, and China—a distinction not always realised even by big business houses, judging from the occasional faulty addressing of envelopes for the post. So far as trade is concerned, we might learn in the near future that a new vogue or two is on foot at home. The days of the mah jongg craze are passing, but we might hear of such things as Swatow drawn thread pyjamas or temple-roof shaped millinery. Stranger things than that have happened. That the demand for Chinese wares should be brisk is natural—the "philosophic detachment" of the shopkeepers follows a long schooling in Queens Road, helped by the promoters of world tours. Hongkong shops will always be attractive, whether at home or abroad, and Chinese shopkeepers will always be philosophers.

Sleepy Sickness.

These hot days, one can be excused for wondering in the early afternoons, especially after lunch, whether *Encephalitis lethargica* has come to Hongkong; but the actual disease is far more serious than a temporary sleepiness, and its increase in Britain has for some time been a matter of discussion among medical men at home. It seems that this world is never to be free from ill of various kinds. We hardly discover a cure for one thing when some new form of sickness makes its appearance. "Spanish" influenza is followed by "botulism" (not a symptom of "botulism"), and that again is followed by "sleepy sickness". One must not confuse this last with the sleeping sickness of tropical Africa, contracted through the bite of the "tse-tse" fly; nevertheless this new lethargic disease proves fatal sufficiently often to cause grave apprehension, especially in view of its recent rapid increase of incidence. There is no doubt that most of our present-day diseases—even such as cancer—are due to modern methods of life and diet. Botulism has been traced to tainted preserved foods, which are also the cause of ptomaine poisoning. The cause of *Encephalitis lethargica* has not been discovered yet, but we expect it will be traced eventually to some toxic form of physical life entailed by modern civilisation.

WANTED A NUT.

GOT A MONTH'S "HARD."

An unemployed boiler maker, named Luk Tsat, was charged before the Marine Magistrate, Lieut.-Com. Conway Hake, this morning with being on board the B. I. steamer *Torilla* without permission. From the evidence it appeared that the man was found in the engine room of the ship yesterday morning at 9 o'clock by a No. 1 Indian member of the ship's staff and was sent away. About an hour later, the man was again discovered in the engine room—and was engaged in removing a nut from the safety valve of the boiler. He was taken before the Chief Engineer who gave instructions for the man to be handed over to the Police. The Fourth Engineer gave evidence that no shore workmen were employed on board the ship that day and that defendant had no right to be in the engine room or touch anything there. Defendant stated that he went on board for work. He asked an Indian if he could have a nut and the Indian told him to go and get one. Sentence of one month's hard labour was passed, a previous conviction for theft having been proved.

DAY BY DAY.

IF YOU CANNOT LAUGH AT
YOURSELF LIFE MUST BE PRETTY
DULL FOR YOU.—Grock.

A Renter's New York message reports the death of Mr. Victor Herbert, the conductor and composer.

The master of the *Kwaya Maru*, from Sourabaya, reports the death of a Chinese third-class passenger.

The master of the s.s. *Commercial Scout*, an American steamer in port from Oregon, reports that one of the firemen was lost overboard on the journey.

Yesterday's health returns show two cases of small-pox (one British and one Chinese), and one each of enteric and cerebro-spinal fever (both Chinese).

A Canton report says that seven passenger and cargo junks which were being towed by a launch between Shuihing and Canton recently were pirated, the total loss suffered being about \$30,000.

The usual weekly public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society will be held on Wednesday, May, 28th, at 5.45 p.m., at the Lodge, 16, Queen's Rd. Central. Subject:—"Hatha Yoga." All are welcome. Adet.

Mr. G. R. Hendley Smith, who recently arrived from Hongkong, takes up an appointment as Assistant Superintendent of Customs, Port Swettenham, says a Malayan paper. Mr. Hendley Smith, who is 27 years of age, has been eight years in the Royal Navy.

A Chinese woman, who appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of assaulting and scolding two *mui tsais*, was formally remanded for one week. She was defended by Mr. Lee D'Almada. The two girls were taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Last week there were six cases of small-pox notified (one Indian and the rest Chinese), of which three were fatal; three Chinese cases of cerebro-spinal fever (two fatal); two British non-fatal occurrences of paratyphoid fever; and two cases of enteric fever (one Indian and one Chinese), of which one was fatal. There were also three Chinese deaths from influenza.

As will be seen from our advertising columns, the first V.R.C. Night Fetes of the present season takes place in the baths on Saturday night. In addition to members' races, there are also events for girls, boys and soldiers, whilst a high diving competition and polo will complete a very attractive bill. After the programme is concluded dancing will be enjoyed.

In "The Wonderful Thing," which will be shown at the Coronet to-day and to-morrow, Norma Talmadge gives another sterling performance in a play which seems specially suited to her versatile talents. This is a First National feature directed by Herbert Brodon. She is supported by Harrison Ford as the hero and Julia Hoyt, one of New York's society leaders. As this picture will only be on for a very short run, patrons should make a point of not missing it.

The cinema-going public needs no explanation who *Mao Marsh* is. In "Birth of a Nation" and "Intolerance" she won high praise for her respective parts and for other screen achievements she been compared with Ellen Terry whose art on the stage is so well known all over the world. Miss Marsh is supported by Alec, B. Francis and Niles Welch in "The Face in the Dark," which will be on at the Queen's Theatre to-night till Thursday. *Mao Marsh* gives a wonderfully realistic portrayal as the heroine of this thrilling melodrama.

TWO-MINUTE TALKS A Daily Tonic By ROBERT POWER

THE PARROT.

My neighbour's parrot is very gaudy. Polly's plumage makes a rare splash of colour with its green and crimson. Sometimes, as if not satisfied with the display she bends her neck and lets her feathers stand erect. But Polly is not content with chromatic vividness. A hundred times a day I hear her harsh voice. "Its going to rain!" she assures me, and then as if not satisfied with this sad pronouncement she croaks: "Do feel bad!" But never have I heard any other expressions fall from Polly's beak. I was walking through the field the other morning when a little brown bird flew up almost from under my feet. Higher and yet higher she went up, until she was but a speck against the blue. Then, when she was poised aloft, she began to sing. It was the skylark, and though she was so tiny the very air seemed to quiver with that wondrous song. She builds on the ground, but she soars and sings on highest wing. As I listened to the wistfulness of the music of the skylark I did not wonder that the greatest of poets have poured forth their finest language to catch the spirit of the skylark's song. As I neared my house I heard a harsh croak. "It's going to rain," declared Polly, and because I took no notice, "Do feel bad," snote my ears. There is a corner of my garden where I can get a peep at Polly if the day is fine. For then she is put out in the sunshine and swings to and fro on her fine stand. But though the golden light was bathing her green and crimson feathers, "It's going to rain," and "Do feel bad," was all that Polly could inform me. I listened. The lark was still singing as if the joy of life was in her tiny heart. And as I watched she began to fall, dropping like the feathered aviator she is, and marking her nest down on the ground beneath. I followed that dizzy vol-plane until she was out of sight. I find in parrot and lark some very pretty parallels to human beings. Sometime we meet the parish individual who claims attention by dress, deportment, or by boasting. These human parrots have a harsh and monotonous "I" always dropping from their lips. Or they have caught a catchphrase, or a platitude from someone else, and every now and again we hear it. Like Polly with her monotonous croak we are wearied by these two-legged cockatoos. A novelty at first, repetition soon stales "the apparition wit or jest." The lark looks humble to the eye, for her brown livery makes but a poor show against the parrot's plumage, but when she sings we forget her insignificance. There is no monotony in her trills and silver cadences. So I have known life's little people—the "just ordinary men and women"—who have been the skylarks of their tiny world. They go through life singing where the parrots are always croaking—"It's going to rain" and "I do feel bad." The pessimist and the optimist are the parrots and the larks of life!

INDISPOSED



Mr. J. H. Thomas,
Secretary of State for the
Colonies, who is ill with
pleurisy.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Jackman left by the s.s. *Aki Maru* yesterday.

D. H. Kleinman, the singles champion of the Singapore Cricket Club, experienced little difficulty in retaining his title in the final of the Club's singles championship—the last match in the spring tournament—last week, when he defeated R. N. Hamilton, 6-3 6-2. The play was not conspicuously brilliant. Kleinman came to the fore three years ago, when he went on leave and played in big matches in England.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell sentenced a counterfeiter to four months' hard labour, at the Police Court this morning, after evidence had been produced to the effect that the man was arrested yesterday at the Shamshui ferry in possession of 52 spurious ten-cent pieces. The accused made a clean breast of the affair, admitting that he had thrown many other coins into the harbour, and that he was endeavouring to dispose of a quantity before the arrest was made.

According to the *Siam Observer*, Mr. Herbert Lee died on the 1st inst. up on the Ba Haw Tin Mines, Pattani. Mr. Lee went to Pattani from Hongkong about eight years ago and had been mining the whole time. European miners from neighbouring tin mines attended the funeral. Mr. Lee died of heart trouble. He was in Singapore on a visit some weeks ago and in Pattani after that, apparently in quite good health. Deceased was born in Australia.

FORGED NOTES.

BOAT-WOMAN COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The case in which a Chinese boat-woman of Tai O, defended by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, was charged with attempting to pass two \$50 and two \$10 forged Singapore banknotes on the 5th and 6th inst. and with being in possession of a further \$10 forged note, was continued before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. A Chinese accountant of a goldsmith at Tai O stated that on the 5th May defendant went to his shop and ordered a pair of gold bracelets. She handed over \$70 as deposit. The bracelets were worth \$33.48. She went away and returned at 7 p.m. the same night and asked if the shop had any rings. She was told that they had and she said that she would come again the next day. She went back to the shop at 11 a.m. the next day and bought four rings of the total value of \$134.31. She gave one \$50 Singapore note to the accountant. Witness asked her where she obtained the money, and she said that some relatives who came from Singapore gave it to her. At the request of his master, witness reported the matter to the police after receiving a telephone message from the accountant who came to Hongkong to change the notes.

The Tai O police interpreter said that on the 7th May he went with Sergeant Logan to Tai O harbour and boarded defendant's sampan. He asked her if she had any Singapore money and she told him that she had none. They then went to defendant's houseboat, where witness saw her putting her hand down a hole near the side of the boat. He told the Sergeant, who, on searching the place indicated, found a forged \$10 note and some Hongkong money. Defendant was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

SHANGHAI SHARES.

Messrs. Ellis and Co. have kindly supplied us with the following cable quotations of Shanghai stocks from their Shanghai office:—
Langkats (comb.)—Tls. 23 3/4 sellers.
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New Engineerings.—Tls. 6 1/2 buyers.
Orientals.—Tls. 4.20 nominal.
Shanghai Cottons.—Tls. 55 buyers.

GERMAN CRISIS.

Government Resigns.

Berlin, May 26.
The German Government has resigned.—*Reuter.*

How It Came About.

The resignation was due to the breakdown of negotiations between the National and Middle parties for the formation of a Coalition Government. The Nationals to-day unexpectedly put forward Admiral von Tirpitz as their candidate for the Chancellorship, declaring they would afterwards be prepared to discuss the prospective Government's home and foreign policy, whereupon the leaders of the Middle parties promptly called upon President Ebert and tendered the Government's resignation.

There is reason to believe that the resignation is only formal, however, and it is expected that Herr Marx will reconstruct the Ministry with a few changes and then submit its policy, especially regarding the experts' report, to the new Reichstag, leaving the House to approve or reject.—*Reuter.*

Berlin, May 26.

Obviously referring to the experts' report, the German Nationals in reply to the Middle parties have admitted a certain continuity in the policy of resigning. "The Government must be maintained," but the party cannot place German negotiators with tied hands in front of foreign countries.

The Middle parties have responded by adhering to the policy of accepting the report as a whole, with the reservations which the experts themselves have made regarding its execution.—*Reuter.*

Nationalist Policy.

Berlin, May 26.
The extreme Nationalists, numbering thirty-two, in the new Reichstag at a meeting to-day formulated a programme demanding, *inter alia*, the immediate election of a new President of the Republic; repeal of the law for protection of the Republic; an amnesty for all participants in the Munich and Austrian revolts; the trial on a charge of treason of all participants in the revolution of November, 1918; expulsion of all Jews who had entered since 1914, with partial confiscation of their property; and special legislation for Jews.—*Reuter.*

M.C.C. VS. SOUTH AFRICA.

Visitors Doing Well.

London, May 26.
At Lord's, play between the M.C.C. and the South Africans opened on a fine wicket, rapidly drying. There were six thousand spectators.

Marylebone scored 145, Hearne contributing 59. Pegler took 8 for 54.

The South Africans had scored 113 for the loss of 4 wickets when play closed for the day.—*Reuter.*

BASEBALL.

Latest League Results.

New York, May 26.
The following are latest baseball results:—American League: New York beat Detroit, 8 to 2. Boston beat Cleveland, 10 to 9. Philadelphia beat St. Louis, 2 to 1.
National League: St. Louis beat Cincinnati, 4 to 3.—*Reuter.*

STOLEN PASSAGES.

FOUR CHINESE SENTENCED.

"You have dodged your passage and now you will have to pay for it," said Mr. E. W. Hamilton to four Chinese, who were charged, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with stowing away from Singapore by the s.s. Van Odon.

Defendants, who were alleged to have been found among the stowage passengers without any tickets on the day after the ship left Singapore, were sentenced to one month's hard labour each.

COSTLY QUESTION.

COSTS PIG DEALER FIVE DOLLARS.

"You are fined \$5 more for your insolence," retorted Mr. E. W. Hamilton to a Chinese, who, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, asked why he was fined \$10 when he had committed no offence.

Defendant was charged with cruelly transporting pigs by train from Taipei to Yaumati. At the last hearing defendant stated that after putting his pigs on the train somebody placed their pigs on top of his. His Worship ordered a remand till he could see Mr. Winslow, of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, with regard to the conveyance of pigs by train.

Mr. Hamilton, this morning, said that he had personally seen Mr. Winslow, who promised to take steps to keep a watch on the conveyance of pigs in future.

Defendant was originally fined \$10, but after his remark, he was ordered to pay \$15.

HUGE GEM DISCOVERY.

Sapphires Weighing Half a Pound.

Where is the richest paddy-field in the world? asks the *Times of Ceylon*.

The question may seem a foolish one hardly worth the trouble of answering, for paddy-growing is an occupation by which the villager ekes out a livelihood, and not in any way associated with wealth.

Yet there is a small field in the Pelmadulla district, perhaps a couple of acres in extent, which untold riches could not buy. There is nothing remarkable about the paddy it produces: it is just ordinary paddy, neither particularly good, nor particularly bad. In fact for the past nine months or so, it has changed its crop to sapphires, marvellous sapphires, yellow and gold, purple and blue of anything from 20, 30 and 40 carats to 500, 600 or 700. Sapphires weighing half a pound, and worth some of them, half a lakh of rupees in the rough, and goodness alone knows what when polished and finished.

The find is so remarkable that local jewellers, hardened though they are by a commercialism which keeps the romance of their calling strictly subdued, are even now almost unable to believe that it is true, and they speak of it as though expecting to be awakened at any moment from a dream.

Already the owners of the field are estimated to have received at the very least five or six lakhs of rupees for the gems that have been found, and there is as yet no sign that the outcrop is finished. If things go on as they are at present, it is doubtful whether Colombo will be able to absorb the stones. Every jeweller in the place carries heavy stocks of magnificent specimens, and some of them are beginning to wonder how they are to be marketed. Many of the stones are fit only for a king's crown, and buyers for gems of this description are, of course, strictly limited.

"It is a most unprecedented find. They are beyond the dreams of avarice," said Mr. Louis Siedle, the well-known Colombo dealer. "Hitherto, finds of large stones in Ceylon have been rare. But now the fault is on the other side. The stones are mostly too big, and some have been found weighing as much as 700 carats. They range from about 20 or 30 carats up to that. In the gemming districts they go by rupee weight. A rupee equals 56 carats roughly, and stones weighing 12, 13 and 14 rupees are not uncommon. There is no reason to believe that the outcrop is finished."

ADVERTISING CONVENTION.

As a result of the activities of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, an International Advertising Convention, which, it is hoped, will promote the mutual benefit of the countries concerned, is to be held at the British Empire Exhibition from July 14 to 19. Members of the advertising industry in a large number of foreign nations are to attend. In America alone so much interest has been aroused that the number of delegates from that country has had to be limited to 1,500. A further 500 delegates are expected from the Continent, and other parts of the world are being represented by over 100.

PEERESS SHOPKEEPER.

Viscountess Inouye Sells Perfumes.

Unhappy in her life as a leader of society, bored with being one of the moving spirits in Tokyo's smart set, Viscountess Inouye, daughter of one of the leading statesmen of the early Meiji era, now runs a modest little perfumery store in a narrow street in Shitaya, one of the least pretentious of the many districts into which the huge and struggling capital of the Japanese Empire is divided, says the Tokyo correspondent of the *North-China Daily News*.

There is nothing that particularly distinguishes this shop from scores of others in Tokyo, and thousands on thousands pass it every day, not in the least aware that a titled woman, daughter of one of Japan's oldest aristocrats, is ready to step forth, a prim apron partially hiding her beautiful kimono, and attend to the wants of anyone, who enters within the sliding doors that mark the entrance.

Viscountess Inouye had a very unhappy married life. Her parents had no male issue and consequently there was no masculine heir to carry on the traditions of the Inouye house. In accordance with Japanese customs, a yoshi (adopted son) was taken into the family and to him was given the family title, all the honour and authority that goes with it and the hand of the daughter of the house. Domestic infelicity led Viscountess Inouye to throw herself into the whirl of social pleasures, but these soon palled and she decided to take to business instead.

As was to be expected, her suggestion to run a store caused her relatives and friends to hold up their hands high in holy horror. A member of the peerage to become sullied with sordid commercialism. All manner of argument was marshalled to dissuade her. She was told that it was not at all necessary that she should have to "earn her livelihood, while such a step as she proposed taking, others insisted, would reflect on the prestige not only of her own noble house, but also on that of other titled families.

Viscountess Inouye was obstinate, however, and declared that she would work out her own destiny and lead her own life. The result was this modest perfumery store in Shitaya.

EMPTY EXISTENCE.

"The desire to do something instead of leading an idle life," she told your correspondent, "came to me when I realized how empty was my existence, how I was living to no purpose. I had many trials and tribulation and believed that the best way to be happy would be to work and be independent."

Viscountess Inouye is a woman of handsome lineaments and fully looks the daughter of a family claiming to have blue blood in its veins. She is of medium height, and has well-chiselled features. Her looks belie her age and her talk is interesting and attractive as is her face.

"This store of mine is not the result of a fad, one of those notions to do something unusual and be talked about," she continued as she offered me a cup of tea and motioned to me to be seated. "My old life was unhappy and I wanted something to take my mind off it and to enable me to forget it."

Viscountess Inouye looks after her little shop single-handed. No maid or sales-girl assists her, although there are several in Tokyo who would just jump at the idea of working with and for her, without any remuneration whatsoever. A glance round showed me that the potions and lotions that womankind the world over deems to be absolutely necessary were mostly imported from France.

"Yes," she replied in answer to a question, "French powders, perfumes and cosmetics are what the Japanese young women demand now. They are nothing if not Parisian in their powder-and-perfume tastes." I looked to see whether there was not a tinge of sarcasm, but the lips did not twitch a bit. "Anything from Paris," continued the Viscountess, "is accepted without the slightest demur."

Needless to add, there is a constant stream of people visiting the store every day. The Viscountess' friends alone would make quite a tidy number of customers. Then there are those who are attracted because a titled lady serves them and the

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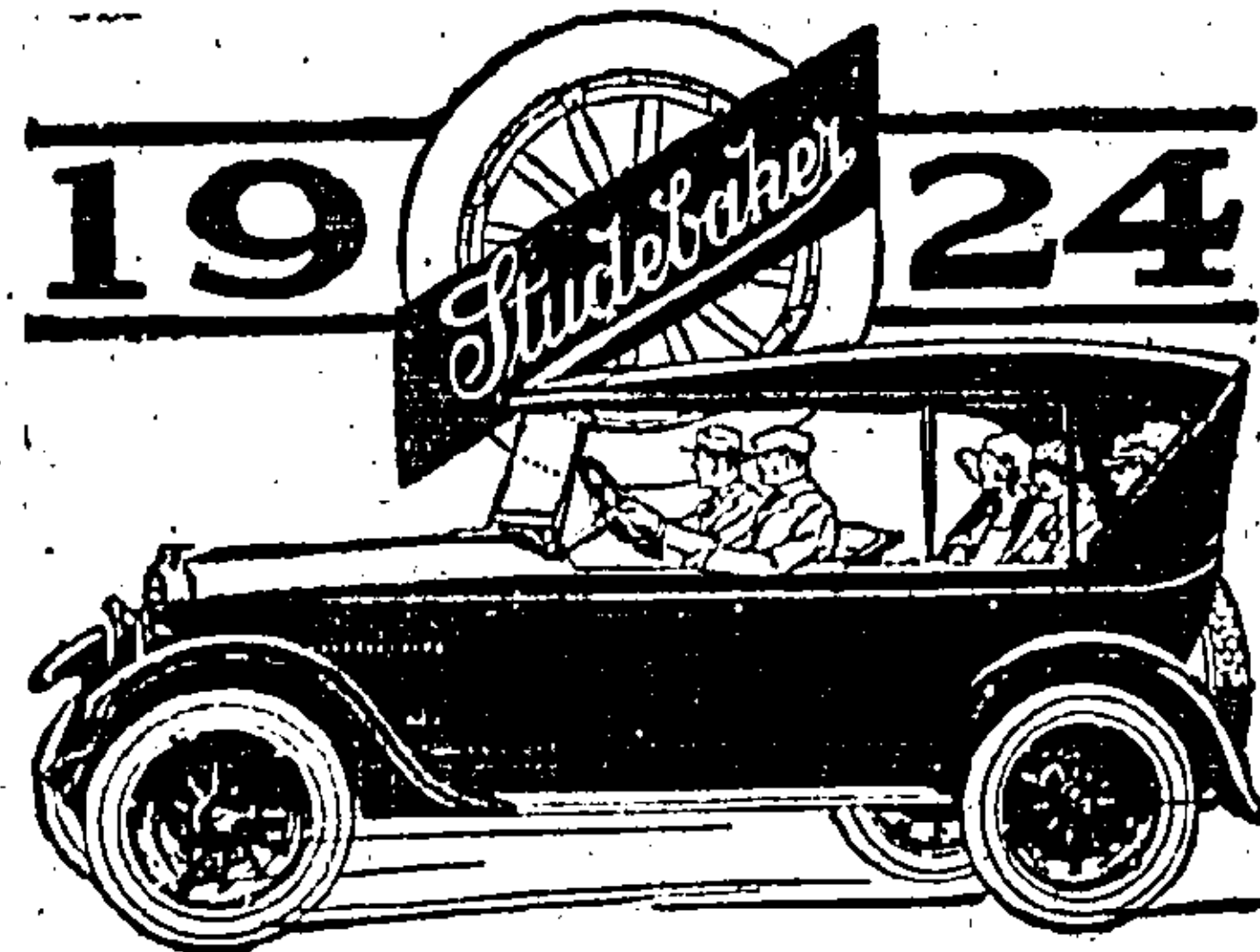
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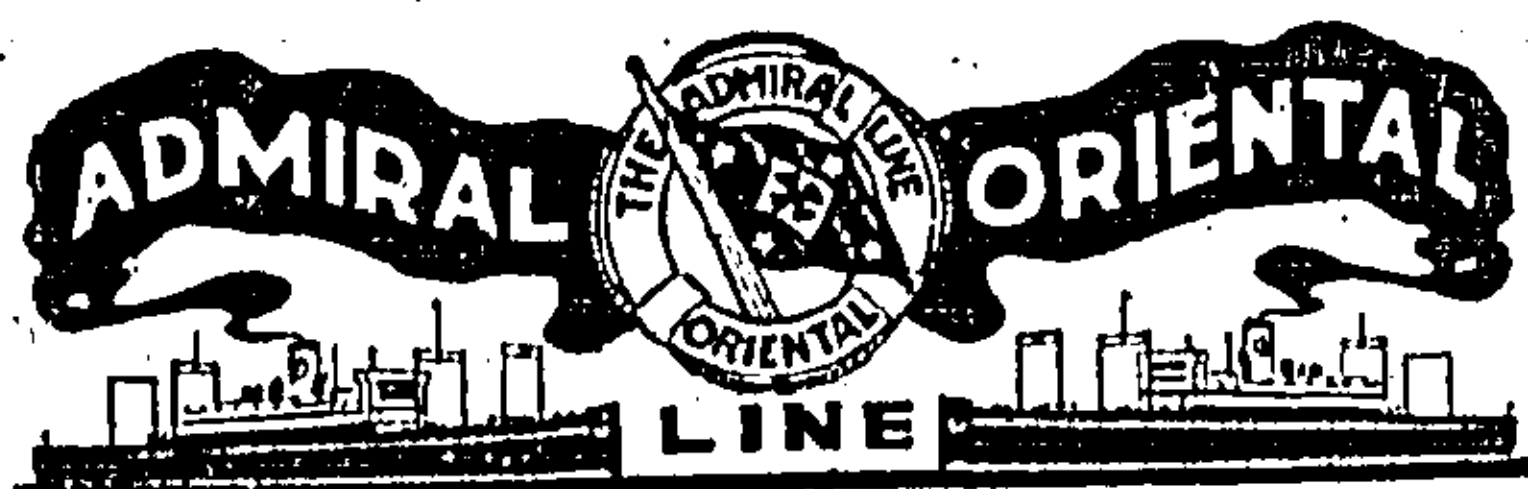
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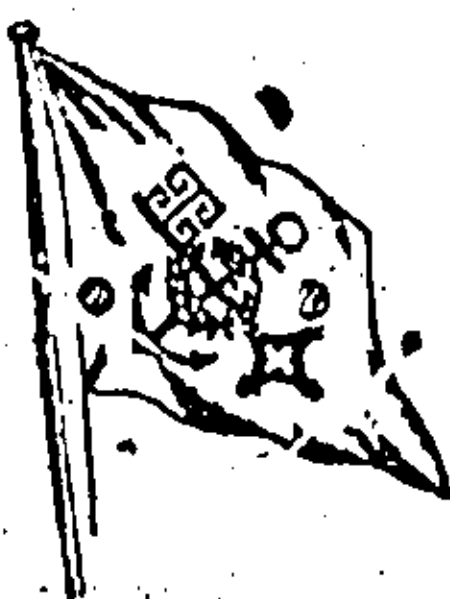
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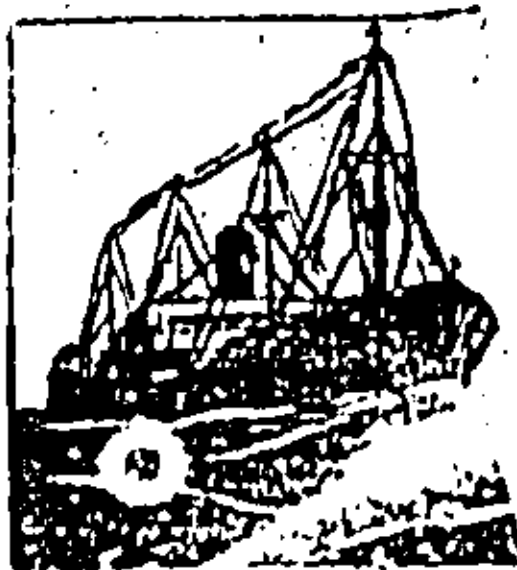
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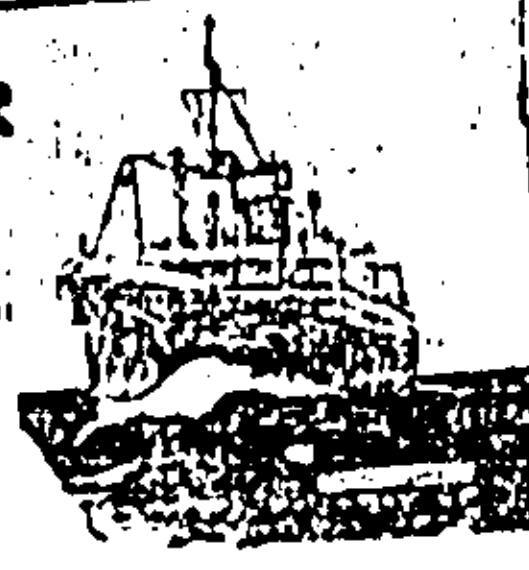
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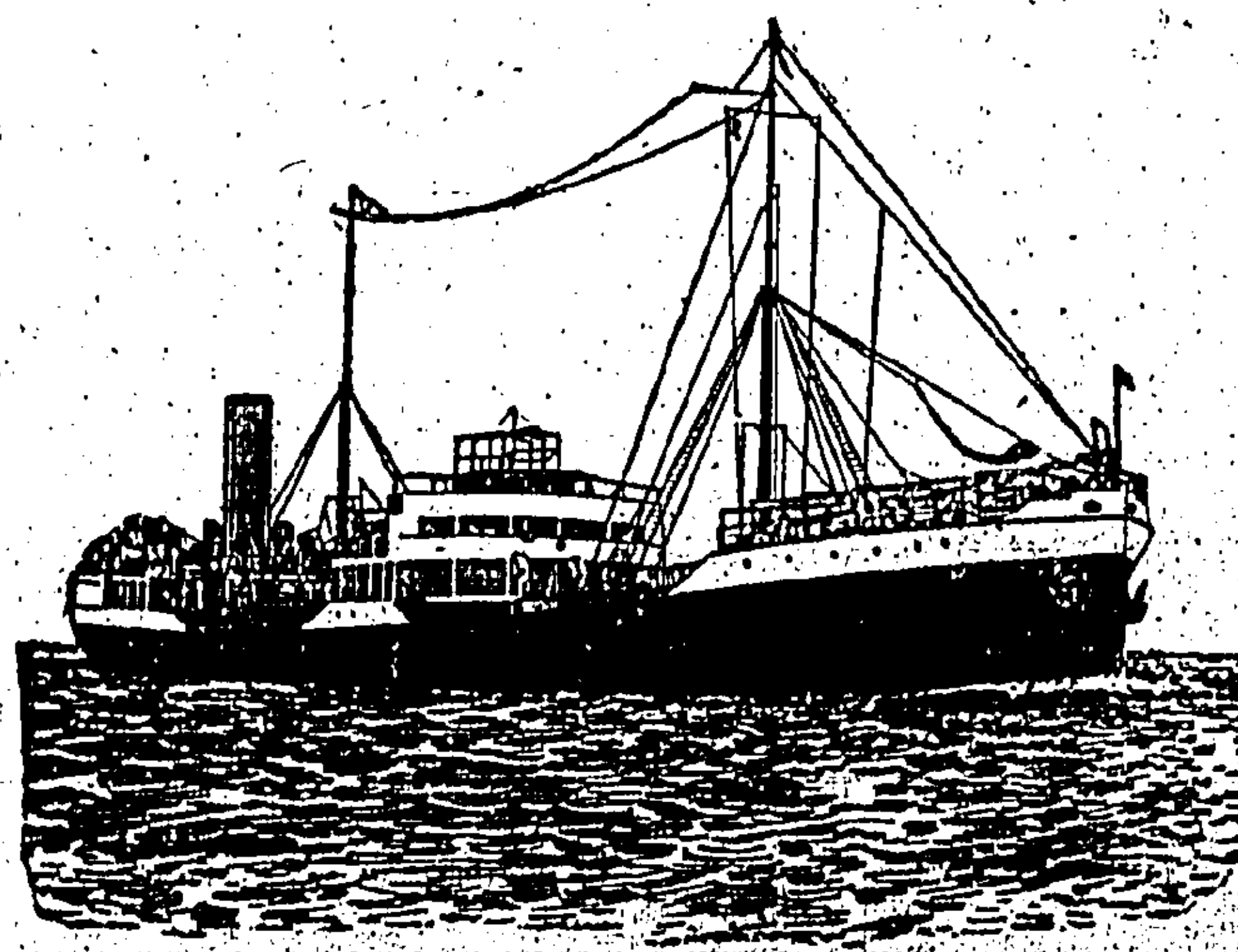
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TOYOHASHI MARU ... Sunday, 15th June.

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TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 16th July.

YOSHINO MARU ... Wednesday, 16th July.

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WAKASA MARU ... Tuesday, 10th June.

TAMBA MARU ... Tuesday, 10th June.

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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. Thursday, 12th June.

YOSHINO MARU ... Thursday, 12th June.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. Saturday, 31st May.

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TTAO via S'ow & S'hai	Walshing	Wed. 28th May at 10 a.m.
TIENSIN	Cheongshing	Wed. 28th May at noon.
SHANGHAI	Lienshing	Thurs. 29th May at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Hosang	Thurs. 29th May at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Yatsing	Fri. 30th May at 7 a.m.
KOBE via S'hai & Moji	Fooksang	Sat. 31st May at 7 a.m.
MANILA	Yuensang	Sat. 31st May at 11 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Mingsang	Sun. 1st June at 10 a.m.
TTAO via S'ow & S'hai	Yusang	Wed. 4th June at 9 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Sat. 7th June at 1 p.m.
MANILA via Amoy	Sulsang	Sat. 7th June at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Lecsang	Sun. 8th June at 10 a.m.
KOBE via Shanghai	Kutsang	Wed. 11th June at 7 a.m.
BANGKOK via Hoihow	Chunsang	Sat. 14th June at 10 a.m.

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Haining	W. C. Passmore	TUES. 27th May at 5 p.m.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
SERVICES CONTRACTUELS
DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

The Steamship

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Consignees of Cargo from Dunkirk, Antwerp, London & Manchester.

In connection with above steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned; Goods remaining unclaimed after the 28th instant at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 2nd June, 1924 or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 28th inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSEK, Acting Agent.

Hongkong 22nd May 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship

"BOLTON CASTLE"

From NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 24th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underigned on or before the 9th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents. Hongkong, 24th May, 1924.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

From BREMEN & HAMBURG

via ANTWERP & SINGAPORE.

The Company's Steamship

"AMUR MARU"

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Goods not cleared by the 31st May, 1924 will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 5th June. All claims must be presented within Ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, K. SHIMA, Manager. Hongkong, May, 24th, 1924.

MESSAGE HALL

Mrs. R. J. J. J.

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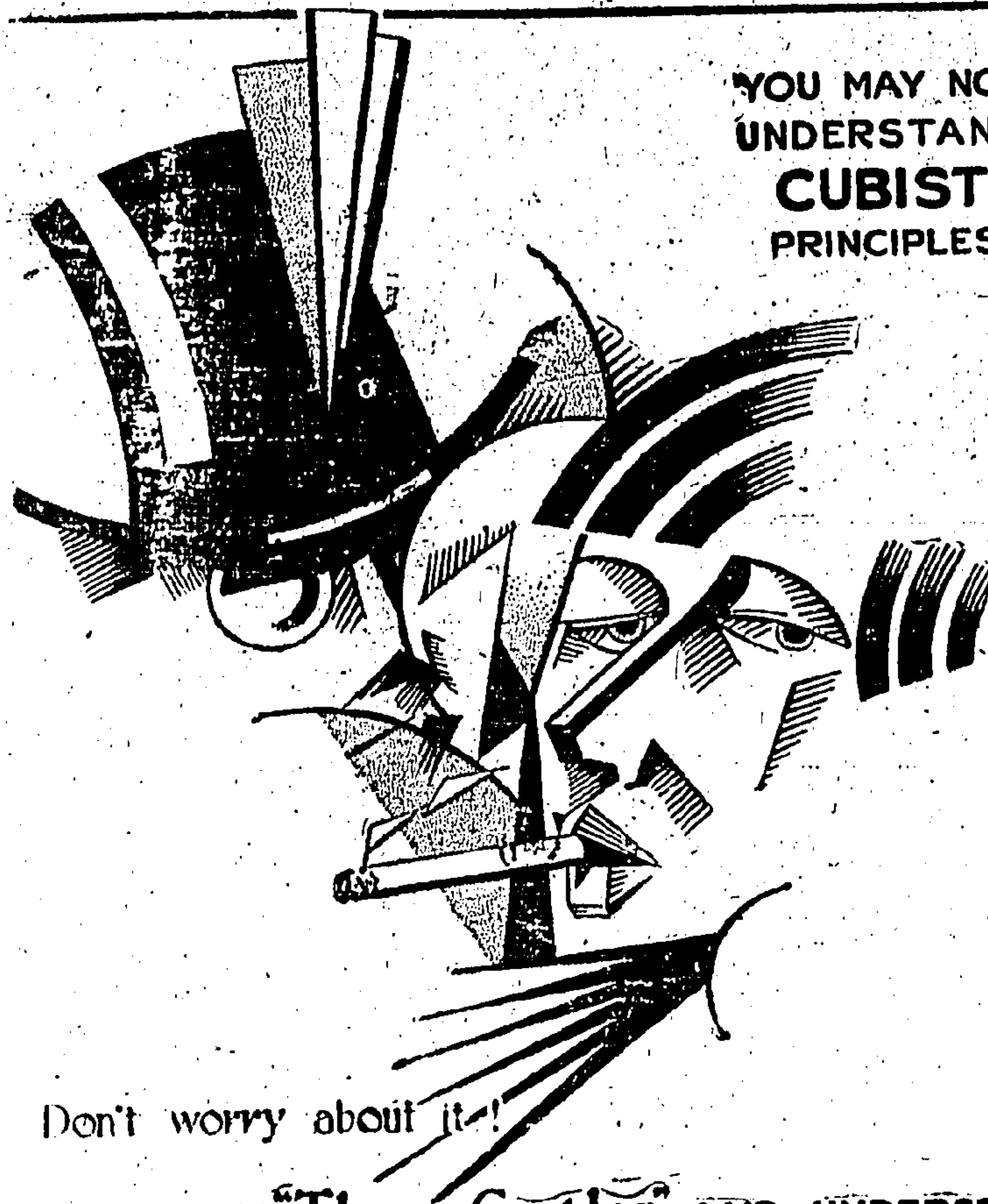
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Per s.s. Adolf von Bayer, for
Manila and Europe, May 28th.—Mrs.
M. Frank, Mrs. Bertha Schwarz-
kopf, Mrs. D. L. Kirwin, Mr. and
Mrs. von Borch and two children,
Mr. and Mrs. Gornow and child, Mr.
Paul Frank, Mr. E. Gutter, Mr. and
Mrs. Maeslin and four children, Rev.
A. Placzek, Rev. G. Carabelli,
Mr. and Mrs. Irish and four chil-
dren, Mr. and Mrs. Aitchison and
two children, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk and
child, Mr. O. Bortram, Mr. and Mrs.
Korkomo and two children, Miss
Greene Broadbent, Miss J. Peter-
son, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson.
Per s.s. Aki Maru, for Manila
and Australia ports May 28th.—
Mr. Yoo Gln Hee, Mr. and Mrs. A.
Tomonawa, Mr. and Mrs. S. Mori-
mura, Mr. and Mrs. H. T.
Jureidini.

Jackman, Mrs. E. Roops, Miss M.
W. Sharman, Miss S. Smith, Mr. J.
H. Anderson, Mr. J. G. S. Barrow,
Mr. and Mrs. Kanegoe and infant,
Mrs. A. L. Balfour, Mr. S. Henry,
Mr. W. Nonaka, Mr. R. G. Francis,
Mr. Y. Chikamoto, Mr. and Mrs. J.
Sharman, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. A.
Barrow, Mrs. Bertha Hill, Miss F.
Hill, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. King,
Miss F. King, Mrs. G. Franklin
and infant, Miss M. G. Lloyd, Mr.
A. Folice, Miss F. M. Smith, Miss
R. J. Bollinger, Miss Sadler, Mrs.
M. Tamaya, Mrs. T. Coates, Mrs.
T. Doi and infant, Mrs. T. Yoshio,
Mr. S. Coates, Mr. Y. Sonoda, Mr.
M. Higashi, Mr. F. A. Bastin, Mr.
G. Kennedy, Mr. S. Yoshiko, Mr.
and Mrs. A. R. Lee, Mr. and Mrs.
S. Mitauyoshi and 2 children, Miss
H. Nakamura, Mr. V. Sommer,
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10 "	1 1/2
5 "	1 1/2
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Australia & Manila	V. C. ...	27th day
Straits	Hindenburg ...	28th
Shanghai	Luchoy ...	28th
Straits	W. C. ...	28th
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	K. J. ...	28th
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers Lon- don via May & Parsons 24th Apr.)	W. C. ...	28th
Japan	K. J. ...	28th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Swatow	W. C. ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Swatow	Yaching ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Proa Mokley ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Japan	Yokohama M. ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Japan	Nagato ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, & San Francisco	Tenyo M. ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	H. S. ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Is.	Changsha ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Manila & Wuchow	Kochow ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central & S. America, & Europe, via Victoria B.C.	Emp. of Russia ...	Wed 28th 5 a.m.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

In all the miraculous chemistry of nature there is surely nothing more wonderful than the magic which from the desert sand, the sunlight, and a little water produces the date palm with its amazing burden of golden fruit. That the date which reaches England is not the date that you may eat at Biskra or Tiggurt in Algeria or at Tozour (the centre of a million palm-) and many another place in Tunis is because the perfectly ripe date is a thing too ethereal for the rude uses of commerce. When tempted to crumble because the lower layer of dates in the box which you buy is composed of palm, spiritless, pebble-like things, very different from the golden-tawny lusciousness of the fruit on top (liking the finery after touching them is permitted by the very best books on etiquette), consider that if a box were filled with dates each one of which had been allowed to ripen fully on the tree its contents would be no more than a squashed conglomerate, edible only with a spoon. So you must go to Africa to know dates in perfection. The importance of dates as an article of commerce is shown by the fact that in the great oasis of the Rhir—the region of which Tagart, in Algeria, is the centre—there are now in the neighbourhood of 2,000,000 palm trees, producing annually some 60,000 tons of date; and the cultivation is growing rapidly, owing chiefly to the sinking of artesian wells. The drill is a fairly's wand. Nothing could seem more valueless than a patch of desert sand, but large arid tracts are found to conceal subterranean springs at a depth of from 300ft. to 500ft., and across by acre the area of cultivation grows.

Travellers through Serbia have often remarked on the squalor that appears to reign in Serbian convict prisons. Groups of men may be seen at work in the neglected hood of the building clothed in the coarsest of cloths, sometimes fattened in chains. Conditions are, however, often not so bad as they appear, and in any case should be taken in relation to the ordinary level of life of the inmates, as a recent story in a Serbian journal shows. An old peasant woman who was visiting her nephew who was in the Mionovic prison was heard to tell him: "Ah, my son, make the most of this my son."

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Per s.s. President Harrison, from
San Francisco and ports, May 26th.
—Mr. G. Arnold, Mrs. Coomes, Mr.
M. C. Check, Mr. H. S. de Vaulx,
Miss A. Fleet, Mrs. L. H. Garding-
ton, Mr. J. F. Haggeman, Dr. B. H.
Mellon, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. H.
Murdoch, Mr. C. V. Star, Mrs. T. S.
Shelton, Mr. T. V. Soong, Mr. M.
Sienkovich, Mr. A. Yezdi, Mr. J.
Yamamura.

WEATHER REPORT.

May 27d. 12h. 30m.—Pressure
has decreased slightly over S.
Japan. It has increased con-
siderably over N. Japan, and
moderately to slightly elsewhere.
The depression is still situated
to the N.E. of Hokkaido, and
weak anticyclonic areas are
situated over the lower Yangtze
Valley and to the south-east of
the Bonins.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day,
9.00 inch. Total since January
1st, 28.73 inches against an
average of 21.44 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.
District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel	N. winds moderate
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lampo	N. winds moderate
3 H.K. to Gap Rock	N. winds moderate
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	N. winds moderate

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